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GIRL, FAILING AT SUICIDE, PLACED UPON PROBATION

Emma Kihast's Parents Accuse
Her of Keeping Late Hours—
Her Denial.

(Special to The Farmer)

Stratford, July 31.—Emma Kihast, the 17 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kihast of Honeyport road who tried to commit suicide last Tuesday by taking pills green at her bench at the plant of the A. & E. Henckels Co., Connecticut avenue, because she was despondent over the illness of her fiancé who is said to have been struck by a bolt of lightning during the severe electrical storm of two weeks ago was haled before Judge Howard M. Curtis in the Stratford town court charged with being incorrigible. Complaint was lodged to the Stratford authorities by her parents. Judge Curtis placed her in care of the Bridgeport Probation officer, Mrs. Isaac Burgess, for six months. According to the story told by her parents in court today, Emma has been in the habit of remaining out very late at night. Her mother said that sometimes it would be 12 o'clock and later when she would return. Mrs. Kihast also told the court that she went out automobiling many times and when she came home she would tell her mother that she had been to a picture show. Emma denied the allegations declaring that she only remained out of the house two nights in a year until 12 o'clock.

The girl testified that she was dismissed from the Bridgeport hospital last Thursday afternoon and went directly home. When she arrived she was accosted by her father who told her to get out and look for another place. Emma began packing all her belongings and when about to start her mother refused to let her go. She told her mother that she was going to live with her sister, Mrs. Peter Aldo, of Madison avenue, Bridgeport. The court recommended that the girl reside with her sister for a while until she has fully recuperated from her recent illness.

At a recent meeting of the board of fire commissioners Chief Allen D. Judson was granted a two weeks' vacation. The chief and his family left today for Milford Point where they will spend the coming two weeks. This is the first respite from toll that the fire fighter has had in five years. William Nichols a member of the department will be the acting chief in the absence of Chief Judson.

Miss Celestina Newhall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Newhall of Devon was married to David Youngquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. Youngquist also of Devon, Wednesday, July 26. The ceremony took place at the residence of Rev. Chauncey C. Kennedy, Main street. Rev. Mr. Kennedy was the officiating clergyman.

Benjamin Cohen, a motorist, who gave his address as Ansonia, Conn., was assessed \$5 and costs in the Stratford town court today on the charge of passing a standing trolley car at the center, Friday, July 14. Constable Edward Manchester made the arrest.

A real estate transaction took place in town last week when the Sellick mansion, located on North Main street, changed hands. The purchaser was C. J. Laughlin, formerly of Buffalo, N. Y., who is now summering at Woodmont. The price paid for the property consisting of an acre and a quarter, was \$12,500. It is the intention of Mr. Laughlin to develop the land and sell lots for building purposes. He will have the mansion remodeled and reside there with his family in the fall.

The house was built in 1872 by Edward A. Allen at a cost of \$42,500. It has 20 rooms, some of which are of unusually large dimensions. It is said that the fire place, coal bins, closets and wine cellar cost \$10,000. The barn in the rear was erected for \$5,000. It took two years to build the house and it is said that not a piece of lumber of any description which contained a knot was used.

Twenty years ago the residence was purchased by the late Judge Andrew Sellick, who lived there until his death in 1907. His daughter, Mrs. Lillian Sellick, has resided there since. The home is noteworthy throughout town as many lawn fetes and entertainments of various kinds are held on its spacious grounds. Mrs. Sellick will leave town in a few weeks after which she will travel extensively in the South. She will make her home in Norfolk.

At a meeting of the Stratford Woman Suffrage association held recently plans were discussed for the fall work. It was decided to hold a "dollar meeting."

William Stagg of Harris street, who has been ill at the Bridgeport hospital, has returned to his home.

The firm of The T. A. Scott Dredging Co. will bury the man known to this fellow employees as "Big Mike," who was drowned in the Housatonic river last Friday when he fell from a barge used in the construction of new locks for the American Brass Co. The dead man was positively identified yesterday by First Selectman

WALL PAPER NOT INSANITARY, SAYS EXPERT IN TRADE

Defends Business Against At-
tacks by Advocates of
Wall Painting.

New York, July 31.—So much has been said from time to time about the alleged insanitary properties of wall paper as a decoration for the home, that a booklet has been prepared by C. R. Clifford of the city in which he says that these allegations are false. Mr. Clifford, who is managing editor of The Wall Paper News, has written several works on decorative subjects, and was a member of the International Jury of Awards covering interior decoration at the St. Louis Exposition in 1904 and at the San Francisco fair last year.

"During the last few years," the booklet says, "the paint manufacturers have been vigorously instituting a campaign urging upon the public the value of wall paint. Their propaganda, as expressed in their advertising, has been mischievous because deceptive. They have mentioned the work of minor decorators and the uninformed trade, and the public would believe from the literature thus disseminated that the best houses in America had adopted the painted wall as an approved fashion."

"We have no quarrel with the paint manufacturer. For certain purposes and under certain conditions the painted wall is admirable, but for the benefit of the trade at large have gone deeply into an analysis of the subject, and our conditions are incontrovertible."

"In the treatment of the wall of a room there are always four points to consider: First, economy; second, sanitation; third, decorative; fourth, popularity. The paint manufacturers claim superiority upon all four points. They claim that paint is more lasting than wall paper, that paint is more sanitary than wall paper and that paint is more decorative, under the present fashion for plain walls, and all these claims are untenable."

"Wall painting is economical if applied plain, but if applied plain it is also not artistic. It is expensive, no matter how applied, but if applied in an artistic manner, with moldings and in tones of color to imitate stone or to fit into architectural conditions, it is a decidedly expensive proposition."

"It costs from 75 per cent. to 80 per cent. more to do good painting than a good wall paper job, undertaken under close competitive conditions; and this does not include molding work or paneling. If the work is done by a New York decorator, a painted room will cost just double the papered room."

"On an estimate for a room 16 by 14 feet, the figures being actually worked out under competitive conditions and representing good work in a good local residential section, the cost as set down includes the paper at 50 cents a roll, cost of taking off old paper, cleaning and scraping walls, putting on the new paper, and tinting the ceiling. The total estimated expense for the work is \$29. An estimate covering the cost of painting the same room sets the total down at \$73.50. It includes, among other things, the cost of canvas and expense of putting it on the walls, four coats of paint, and the same charge for cleaning, scraping and taking off paper as in the first estimate."

"In order to prove that paint is more sanitary than wall paper," the booklet goes on, "one must first determine that wall paper is insanitary. In the first place the painted wall originated in the operations of the settlement workers. These people, dealing with wretchedness, poverty, and filth, were quick to perceive the value of a plain paint on the wall. Departments of household arts in universities and medical experts informed the idea, and the paint men, quick to grasp their opportunities, have exaggerated beyond all reason the original thought which was stimulated by slum conditions. Why apply the value of comfort to a tenement house decoration?"

"As an example of the absurdity of the sanitation idea we would quote from an article called 'Paints Versus Wall Papers,' which appeared in one of the big magazines and which was written by a well known physician. In discussing the relative merits of wall paper and paint, the doctor says: 'Wall paper is easily abraded, a bump or blow of any kind easily ruffles the paper and breaks off light particles which float through the air. Then, too, the abrasion becomes a rearing place for dust and disease germs. Moreover, paper is usually fuzzy, and this sort of surface is an excellent lodgment for any bacteria.' 'Naturally, this sort of literature is rather disturbing to a sensitive mind, and where the writer concludes that, after all, we had better use paint, there is no doubt that in the home of the timid and the impressionable, paint will be more or less used. This writer says:

"As compared with wall paper, the texture of paints has everything in its favor. It may readily be washed off with water and soap or a disinfectant." "Imagine any other man than a doctor regarding with seriousness the fact that a bump or a blow ruffles wall paper and breaks off light particles which float in the air to the detriment of health. It seems too absurd for discussion to assume that because of this remote possibility wall paper should not be used, but paint substituted. Wouldn't an abrasion upon a painted wall leave a rough spot that would also gather disease germs? And, again, how much more serious is the danger from the cracks in the woodwork, behind the baseboard, below the baseboard, behind the window cases, in the rugs or carpets, in the fabrics at the window, in the portieres, the table covers, the books, even in the clothing we and our friends wear. Painting the walls would be only the beginning of the crusade for health."

"The writer of the magazine article before referred to speaks of an analysis recently made which showed that some wall papers contain arsenic. In order to set this arsenic bugaboo at rest, we wrote to 16 hospitals in New York city asking if they ever had a case of death or illness which could be attributed to wall paper."

tributed to the wall paper in a room, and every answer was in the negative, the Presbyterian hospital going so far as to say that they had examined their records, but could find no case of even illness attributed to arsenic or any other poison in the wall paper of a room. Not one single reply supported this time-honored charge against wall papers.

"Under certain conditions the painted wall is excellent. The persistent determination of some manufacturing concerns to flood the market with garish and undesirable wall papers has stimulated the painted wall as a medium that is at least inoffensive, but it is an expensive proposition if done right."

"The present tendency of the decorator is not toward the elimination of patterned wall paper or fabrics, but toward the elimination of the vulgarity of the pattern. There are too many decorators of good taste, too many architects of good taste, ever to permit the abandonment of good style and good color wall paper."

"At present Italian and French ideas are somewhat dominant in decoration. Where the English ideas have a place wood panels are largely used. Where the German type prevails and plain walls are used. Chien stone is frequently imitated, or some other effect, which requires a skillful artist to produce. This kind of wall cannot be done by the man up the alley or the woman with a can of ready-mixed paint. And even for this kind of wall, Georgian or Italian, we have scenic papers, exquisite samples of the sort that are used in the latest good example of wall decoration, the Yale Club."

"We are told that the Pompeians, Greeks and Romans used painted walls. True, but their walls were decorated with wonderful friezes and hung with fabrics and even in the Italian period the painted wall was covered usually with velvets and tapestries. Cultured decorators know this."

"The only class that will take issue with us are those who are directly associated with the manufacture or sale of paint, or the class who are not competent in the field of decoration, and who use plain paint on the walls because it requires no skill, no taste, no technique, but may be applied easily by the ignorant for the ignorant."

"If the painted wall as a decorative necessity has any adherents among the professional decorators, it is only with that class who are regarded generally as faddists and who operate on their personality—extremists who indulge in hysterical admiration for very queer things. They paint their floors with a border of red and black checks, they paint the doors and wood trim a pale lavender, and, of course, they paint the walls."

WILTON FARMER SUICIDE.

South Norwalk, July 31.—Frank Bishop, a well known Wilton farmer, hanged himself in the barn of Mrs. Mary White, in Cannondale, this morning.

WEATHER FORECAST

New Haven, July 31.—Forecast: For New Haven and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday.

Connecticut: Partly cloudy to night and Tuesday, probably local thunder showers; moderate west and northwest winds.

Weekly forecast for North Atlantic states: The week will be one of generally fair and warm weather, temperatures rising considerably during the first two or three days of the week and remaining high thereafter.

Conditions: A few scattered showers have occurred during the last 24 hours in the southwestern districts, the lake region and New England. Pleasant weather has prevailed in other districts east of the Rocky mountains. The temperatures continue high in the northern districts east of the Mississippi river but are somewhat lower between the Mississippi river and the Rockies. The smoky condition of the atmosphere is due to forest fires in Canada. Conditions favorable for this vicinity, partly cloudy weather with moderately high temperatures.

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OBITUARY

WILSON FRENCH.

The obsequies of Wilson French one of the oldest residents of Stratford, and one of the few survivors of Andersonville prison, was held yesterday from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Sammis, 949 Academy Hill, Stratford, and from the Stratford Methodist church at 8 o'clock. Rev. Ernest C. Carpenter, pastor, conducted the funeral service. Many sorrowing relatives and friends were in attendance. There was a wealth of floral tributes. The pall bearers were Paul Carey, Walter Hanford, George Meachen, Jr., Walter S. Curtis, Elliott W. Peck and Edwin S. Hoyt. Burial was in Union cemetery, Stratford, where Rev. Carpenter read the committal service. A delegation of Elias Howe, Jr., post, G. A. R., attended.

POSTAL CASE CONTINUED.

New London, July 31.—Judge William R. Cole, in police court this morning, continued the case of Frank Russell, accused of the theft of \$125 worth of postage stamps until September 2 on request of federal authorities who are working on the case.

Poison contained in a penny piece of taffy candy is believed to have killed Mildred G. Allen of Philadelphia.

DIED.

SHEEHAN—In this city, Sunday, July 30, 1916, Cornelius Sheehan. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the undertaking parlors of M. J. Gannon, 1051 Broad street on Tuesday, August 1st at 8:30 a. m., and from St. Augustine's church at 9 o'clock. Burial at St. Michael's cemetery.

REYNOLDS—In this city, July 29, 1916, Peter Reynolds. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his daughter, 194 Hewitt street, on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 8:30 a. m., and from St. Charles church at 9 a. m. Interment, St. Michael's cemetery.

COSTELLO—In this city, July 30, 1916, Edward Costello of Davenport street. Notice of funeral hereafter.

FRINK—In this city, July 31, 1916, Rollin B. Frink, son of Katherine F. Frink and the late George B. Frink, aged 11 years, 10 days.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick B. Foley, 138 Lenox avenue on Wednesday, Aug. 3 at 9 a. m., and from St. Peter's church at 9:30 a. m. Interment St. Michael's cemetery. P 31 b*

OLEARY—In this city, July 30, 1916, Hannah, wife of Thomas O'Leary. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, 1051 Central avenue on Wednesday, Aug. 2 at 8:30 a. m., and from St. Charles church at 9 a. m., with solemn high mass. Interment St. Michael's cemetery. P 31 b*

FENTON—In this city, Monday, July 31, 1916, Walter Warren Fenton, aged 47 years, 11 months, 27 days. Friends are invited to view his remains from Henry E. Bishop's mortuary chapel No. 274 Fairfield avenue, on Tuesday afternoon and evening. Funeral services from the Erwin Memorial chapel, Fairview cemetery, New Britain, Conn., on Wednesday. Automobile cortege.

MALONE—In Stamford, July 21, Frank Malone.

MIX—In Stamford, July 23, Fannie A., wife of Ellish Mix, in the 66th year of her age.

NEWMAN—In Sound Beach, July 25, Ezekiah P. Newman, in the 75th year of his age.

HUBBELL—In Norwalk, July 20, Horace L. Hubbell, aged 60.

MOCKLER—In Norwalk, July 20, Martha Johnston, wife of John Mockler, aged 36.

KELLEY—In Norwalk, July 20, John Kelley.

DUNNIGAN—In Westport, July 24, Bridget, widow of John Dunnigan, aged 90.

THAYER—In Norwalk, July 24, Elizabeth, widow of Hiram S. Thayer, aged 59.

FITCH—In Norwalk, July 23, Mrs. Carrie S. Fitch.

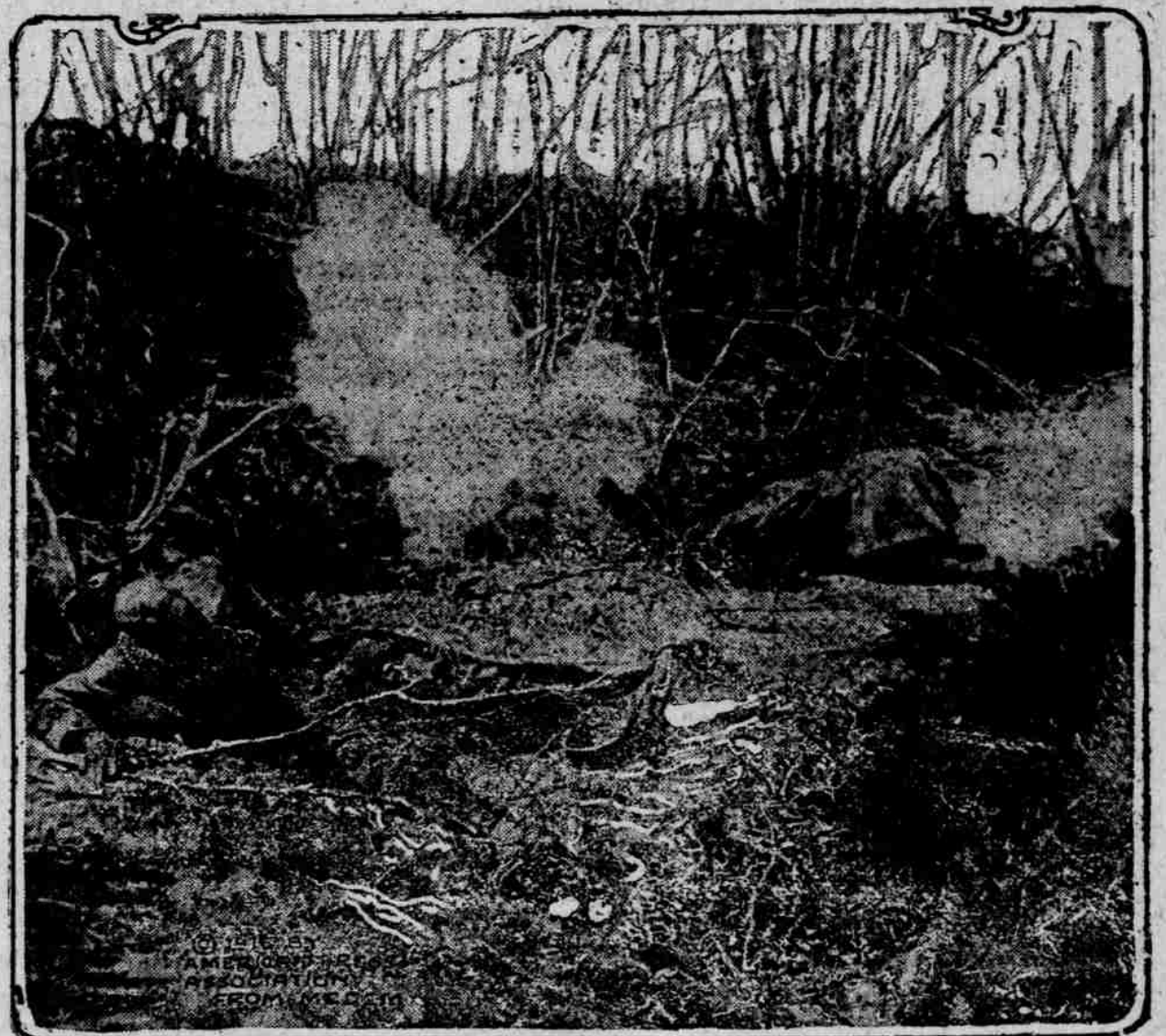
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FRENCH BOMBERS RUSH GERMAN TRENCH FOLLOWING HEAVY ARTILLERY ATTACK



GERMAN HAND GRENADE CLAIMS THREE VICTIMS.

This picture, made with the authority of the French government and imported recently into America, illustrates a graphic incident on the Franco-German front. A trench had been overrun and occupied by the Germans, and a counterattack was ordered after artillery fire had raked the position. The French advanced, throwing hand grenades, and the Germans retaliated in the same way. A German hand grenade explosion struck down the three

ALLEGING NEGLIGENCE OF MOTORIST, SUES FOR \$500 DAMAGES

Alleging that he was badly cut when his wagon was struck by Frank Doll's automobile, Charles Murawski of Westport has brought suit against Doll for \$500. In papers filed in the common pleas court Murawski declares he was driving in Westport July 17, 1915, when Doll's machine hit the vehicle. The plaintiff was thrown out and painfully injured. He claims negligence on the part of Doll, who lives in Greenwich. The suit is returnable to the September term.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Mildred Farrell and Miss Ingole Johnson of Center street spending their summer vacation at Lakesboro, Mass.

Miss May Burns and her brother, Thomas F. Burns, of 710 Arctic street, are spending a few weeks with their aunt, Mrs. Thomas O'Hara, of Twin Lakes. From there they will go to Canaan to Mrs. W. C. Coggin's. They will return home by way of East Canaan where they will spend a week with their aunt, Mrs. M. W. Coggin.

The National Guard Field day held at Sheephead Bay Speedway netted about \$7,000 for the dependent families of militiamen now on the border.

ALMANAC FOR TODAY

Sun rises 4:46 a. m.
Sun sets 7:12 p. m.
High water 11:58 p. m.
Moon sets 7:51 p. m.
Low water 5:51 a. m.

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